IV.—ELECTION OF SIX MEMBERS TO THE SELECT COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RULES.

Mr. CHAIRMAN :—" I have to announce to the House that the following six members were nominated for election to the Select Committee to consider the amendments to the Madras Council Rules :—

1 Sri T. G. Krishnamoorthi
2 ,, T. M. Narayanaswamy Pillai
3 ,, P. P. Ummer Koya
4 Sri T. Purushotham
5 ,, Mohamed Raza Khan
6 ,, G. Krishnamoorthi.

As the number of candidates nominated is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, namely, six, they have been declared to be duly elected under Regulation 2 (6) of the Regulations for the holding of elections by means of the single transferable vote.

" Under Rule 188 of the Madras Council Rules, I have nominated Sri S. Narsapaya, one of the members of the current panel of Vice-Chairmen of the Council, as a member of the Committee.

" The Deputy Chairman and the Hon. Sri M. Bhaktavatsalam (mover of the motion) are ex-officio members of the Committee."

V.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS APPROPRIATION (NO. 3) BILL, 1955 (L.A. BILL NO. 18 OF 1955).

3-20 p.m. The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I move—

' *That the Madras Appropriation (No. 3) Bill* [a], 1955 (*L.A. Bill No.* 18 *of* 1955), *as passed by the Assembly, be taken into consideration.*'

I do not propose to make any speech at this stage. If any points are raised during the discussion, I shall answer them."

Mr. CHAIRMAN :—" Motion moved—

' That the Madras Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1955 (L.A. Bill No. 18 of 1955), as passed by the Assembly, be taken into consideration.' "

Dr. V. K. JOHN :—" Mr. Chairman, Sir, I only want to say one word. I want to bring to your notice that the excess expenditure amounted to Rs. 98,54,123, nearly a crore of rupees. This expenditure was incurred in one year without the department concerned knowing that they were spending more than what was granted by the Legislature. It is not a few thousand rupees, but is nearly a crore of rupees. I desire that this should not be repeated hereafter. Of course, some mistakes might be made here and there. But in this case, mistakes amounting to a crore of rupees is too much to be expected by any efficient Government Department."

* The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, no doubt the Appropriation Bill shows an amount of Rs. 98 lakhs. But it does not mean that there was so much of over-expenditure. As a

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on pages 316–317 infra.